LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS February 17, 2015

On Tuesday, February 17, 2015, the Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson David Jones at 3:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room, 505 Water Street, Kerrville, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

T. David Jones

Chairperson

Jane Smith

Vice-Chairperson

Gail Brown

Board Member

Jeanine Kenworthy

Board Member

Marty Lenard

Board Member

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gary Stork

City Council Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Laura Bechtel

Library Director

Danielle Brigati

Assistant Library Director

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Cate Schulenberg

Recording Secretary

VISITORS PRESENT:

None.

1. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2A. Approval of minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting held on January 20, 2015.

Ms. Smith moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Kenworthy seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

3. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

3A. Monthly Update by Library Director (staff)

Ms. Bechtel reported the January statistics to the Library Advisory Board. The Library had 8,426 patrons and patrons checked out over 8,871 items. The Library had 7,474 visitors and the History Center had 46 visitors through the door. Ms. Bechtel reported that January had one of the highest rates of eBook circulation with 173 eBooks checked out. Ms. Bechtel reported the Fiscal Year statistics to the Board – 33,816 checkouts, 2,557 reference questions answered, and 29,794 visitors. Ms. Bechtel presented the Board with the number of Kerr County library cards purchased and the breakdown of patrons by residence.

Ms. Bechtel presented the financial statements and revenue report for the Library and History Center. Discussion occurred regarding the procedure for overdue notification and the use of a collection agency for long outstanding fines and fees. Discussion occurred regarding the funding of Library signage.

3B. Update on Friends of the Library activities (Jane Smith)

Ms. Smith brought to the Board a discussion of recycling options for the Friends of the Library now that the Recycle Center does not pick up on a weekly basis. Discussion occurred regarding providing books to the Salvation Army. Mr. Lenard proposed taking the books to Half-Price Books. Discussion occurred regarding volunteer opportunities to assist the Friends.

Ms. Smith informed the Board of the Wine Share on February 6th. No count was taken of attendees, but the Friends earned approximately \$200 in sales. Ms. Smith thought it was a good event with good publicity.

The Second Saturday Sale was held on Valentine's Day and was well attended.

3C. Next scheduled Library Advisory Board meeting - March 17, 2015

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Ms. Bechtel announced the Mardi Gras on Main event would be held that evening on Earl Garrett.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the Stuffed Animal Sleepover had good attendance with 24 attendees. Ms. Bechtel announced that the Library will may be hosting another event in the summer.

Ms. Bechtel informed the Board that the History Center renovation project is accepting bids for work.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the Library is hosting the second Blind Date with a Book through March 6th.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lenard moved to adjourn; Ms. Brown seconded. The Library Advisory Board adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

APPROVED:

r. David Jones, Chairperson

Date minutes approved 8

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